

JAPAN'S ACT MEANS DANGER

If Island Kingdom Wars on Germany America's Problem Will Be Great.

Washington Cor. Baltimore Evening Sun.

It is useless to conceal the fact that grave apprehension is felt in Washington over the apparent determination of Japan to have a hand in the European war.

It is not believed at this time, by those who have the best source of information, that an attack by Japan upon the Oriental possessions of Germany necessarily means that the interests of the United States will be involved.

It is believed however, that such an assault will vastly complicate the present situation from an American standpoint and render it more difficult for this Government to maintain the strict neutrality between the belligerents, already proclaimed.

The United States has more vital interests in the Orient than it has in Europe. The American occupation of the Philippines; the concern of this country over the integrity of the Chinese Republic; the growing trade of the United States beyond the Pacific and the investment of our capital in the Far East, all tend to give us a deeper interest in any move Japan may make than in the immediate results of European strategy.

And in this connection the fact may be cited, that the relations between the United States and Japan have not been the most cordial in recent years. The Jap school question on the Pacific Coast was not settled to the satisfaction of the Mikado's advisers; the Magdalena Bay incident left a bad taste in their mouths, and the wide spread distrust of Japan in the United States and of the United States in Japan furnish circumstances that are disquieting.

From all reports it seems that the Jap movement is directed wholly at Kiauchau, where Germany has a naval base and strong fortifications protecting that Empire's possessions in the Orient. There are no signs that the Mikado has designs upon any other section of China or even remotely upon the Philippines.

And yet if the European war extends to Eastern Asia it is easy to see that serious trouble may follow for the neutral nations, as well as for those which are now engaged in the titanic European struggle. At all events, neutrality will be harder to adhere to than if the war were confined to the continent of Europe.

The most hopeful phase of the situation from the standpoint of the United States is the settled conviction that Great Britain would concur in no move on the part of Japan that would embarrass the Washington Government.

It is manifestly not to the interest of England to have the United States at war with anybody at such a time as this. This country holds the available food supply of the world. It is today the world's financial center. It is the source of those supplies needed, not only to feed and clothe the people of England now, but after the war is over.

It is therefore far from likely that Great Britain would sanction any activity on the part of her ally in the Far East that the United States has any right to protest against. And England's influence over Japan is well known. Not only is the treaty which unites their interests binding, but Japan is peculiarly amenable to Britain's moral suasion.

The Administration in Washington has not publicly indicated its attitude toward the threatening move of Japan. It is more than probable however that England knows exactly how the United States feels about the matter and that Japan is no less wise upon that point.

If Japan's motive is merely that of support for a nation with which it is allied; if their campaign is to be confined strictly to an attack upon Germany's holdings in China, and if there is no purpose of Japanese aggrandizement at the expense of other nations interested in China, then it is quite likely that the United States has no ground for interference.

At all events war in the Orient will not be a welcomed eventuality from the viewpoint of the Washington administration, and will not tend to make the position of the United States any easier to maintain.

On the contrary it might seriously involve this government in a situation which all Americans would deplore.

Robeson Is All Right.

Raleigh News and Observer, 13th.

"Our crops in Robeson county are really better than we had figured that they would be before the drought was broken," said State Senator Geo. B. McLeod, of Lumberton, who was in the city on yesterday, having come to Raleigh to attend the meeting of the bankers who were here to consider the currency matters in relation to the present situation. He continued:

"In some instances the cotton crop is as fine as we have ever had, while in others the dry weather has seriously damaged it. Our folks, as a rule, have not become alarmed over the situation arising from the war in Europe. The people have confidence in the Government at Washington and feel that it will take care of affairs. Business is moving along all right, our people are, as usual, in a good condition. You can just say that Robeson is all right, and that will cover the whole matter."

Senator McLeod is to be a member of the next State Senate. He was renominated for the position at the Robeson county Democratic primary held last Saturday.

TO THE FARMERS.

At a meeting of Fairmont Tobacco Board of Trade it was decided to eliminate sales on Saturday from now on. Believing this to be for the best interest of the farmer and the tobacco trade in general.

F. P. DAVIS,

July 29, 1914. Sec. and Treas.

HOME-COMING DAYS.

Many of Robeson's Dispersed Abroad Gathered at Red Springs Last Week.

Friday the Big Day—Excellent Addresses—An Agricultural Address by Dr. Hill of National Department of Agriculture—Red Springs Town.

Red Springs, one of Robeson's most progressive and wide-awake towns, was thronged with visitors from many States Thursday, Friday and Saturday of last week. It was a home-coming for Robesonians who have wandered away from their native land Friday was perhaps the biggest day of the three, and it was the good fortune of this reporter to be among the more than 1,000 people from far and near that were gathered there on that day.

The exercises of the day which were held in the college auditorium, were opened about 11 a. m. with a prayer led by Rev. Angus Hodgkin, after which some very beautiful and appropriate musical selections were rendered. The address of welcome was delivered by Mr. J. S. Jones, a banker of Red Springs. His address was pleasing and sounded like welcome from start to finish. He said that as a rule towns on occasions like that turned the keys over to the visitors, but Red Springs was a stem-winder and had no keys; but he would see to it that the policeman was put in jail and the rural policeman tied, and the town was in the hands of the visitors as long as they would use it.

While on the floor Mr. Jones introduced the speaker of the occasion, Hon. J. P. McNeill, a son of Bladen county, who is now practicing law at Florence, S. C. Mr. McNeill is a brilliant speaker and held his hearers spellbound. He said in beginning that he didn't intend to take a subject, but wanted to make a heart to heart talk and that was just what he did. He paid high respects to Red Springs and Robeson, which he almost claimed as his native land, and also took occasion to say some pleasant things about Robeson's capital, Lumberton.

Robeson should not feel proud of his native land. He said that Robeson ranked first in agriculture, education, and all that tend to make a county worth while. He said that Robeson county didn't know what stop meant so far as progress goes and her progress was growing more rapid all the while. He mentioned the difference in quiet, progressive Robeson and the lar of Blaise, saying that the Governor of his adopted State disregarded law and order, and mentioned the fact that North Carolina was far ahead of South Carolina, and that they needed the prayer and help of North Carolinians to rid the State of the ruler who now reigns in our sister State. He expressed himself as being well pleased with the home coming idea, saying it encouraged patriotism and love for home. His hearers were highly pleased with the address which, as he said was a heart to heart talk.

After Mr. McNeill was through Mr. H. E. Stacy, a young lawyer of Lumberton, who was so unfortunate as not to have been born in Robeson, was asked to tell why he came to Robeson and why he stayed. Mr. Stacy said that he first came to Robeson to make a Fourth of July oration, and on coming found a county like he never dreamed was in North Carolina—a county that ranked first in everything good, a county that had a great future and one that he would like to call home; so he courted a Robeson girl, married her, and expected to make it his home. Mr. Stacy mentioned many things that go to make Robeson the most desirable place to be found in which to live.

After Mr. Stacy entertained his hearers well for some time, Dr. I. W. Hill, of the Department of Agriculture, was called on for an address, the corn club boys having come over from Philadelphia to hear Dr. Hill. Dr. Hill said that he was not fortunate enough to have been born in Robeson county but his ancestors were Tar Heels, of which he was proud. He was an agricultural address, and one worth while. He said that corn club boys of today would have much to do in making the South of tomorrow, in making the South what she is entitled to be. He said that there are 91,000 members of boys corn clubs in the South and 33,500 girls members of tomato clubs. Many farmers don't want the demonstration agent about, saying they don't need any theory farming. Dr. Hill said that when a demonstration agent brings out an idea you may rest assured it is not an idea of theory, but one that had been thoroughly tried out by the Government. "Do one thing at a time and do it well," he said was a good slogan for the farm, and "make the best better." Things are just what we think they are, and the thinking depends on the viewpoint. The universities and colleges are not teaching the boys how to make a living. There is quite a bit of difference between a farmer and a planter, there being many planters, but few farmers. He advised the parents not to spoil a good farmer to make a sorry lawyer. He assured his hearers that there was as much cul in potatoes roots as there was in Great roots, saying he had studied both. He appealed to the farmers to raise plenty of corn, saying it, unlike many things, furnishes food for both man and beast, and urged them also to keep books and by doing so be in position to know whether or not he is making or losing on a certain crop. He said the corn club boys in North Carolina last year made an average of 64 and 4-10 bushels per acre, while

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UP PHILADELPHUS WAY.

Corn.Club. School—Dr. Absher Doing Great Work—Personal Mention.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Philadelphia (Red Springs, R. 2), Aug. 17.—The Robeson County Corn Club was in session here Thursday and Friday of this week. Dr. H. G. Hill of Washington and others spoke to the crowd of the work before them. Eighty or more of the boys were entertained by the people of the community.

Dr. D. C. Absher, is giving practical instruction and doing a great work, for the upbuilding of our people.

Mr. Kirby, superintendent of the farm life school, has arrived and is spending a few days at the home of Mr. Paisley McMillan.

Mr. J. B. Humphrey and family have moved into their pretty new dwelling near the school building.

Mr. Charlie McNeill of Wakulla has rented a two-story building from Miss Annie E. Buie and moved his children here to attend school.

Mrs. Henry John of Lumber Bridge spent a few days here this week visiting her brother Mr. McNeill.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie McKay of Morriston, Fla., are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. I. T. Brown, and other relatives in this vicinity.

Mr. W. K. Brown of Birmingham, Ala., spent a week at his old home, Bide-a-wee farm. He was called home on business last Monday leaving his mother very much improved in health.

Mrs. E. T. McReynolds and Miss Adelaide Williams of Birmingham, Ala., and Mr. and Mrs. Graham McCallum of Greensboro spent the week-end at the home of Mrs. A. D. McCallum.

Miss Nannie McKay is spending some time with her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Pate, near Sanford.

Prof. R. L. McMillan and Miss Isabelle McKenzie were guests at Bide-a-wee farm last Tuesday. Professor McMillan is pleasantly remembered here as teacher in the high school and Miss McKenzie as a much-loved student.

Mr. J. L. Monroe is a Democrat—Cannot Serve on Republican-Progressive Committee.

To the Editor of The Robesonian: I notice in your issue of the 13th inst. that at a Republican-Progressive mass meeting held in Lumberton on the 12th inst. I was appointed on a committee to make arrangements for an independent convention to be held in Lumberton on the 26th of August.

I am affiliated with the Democratic party and well satisfied with the way that party is governing affairs hence cannot change my politics nor serve on a committee of any other political organization. This is said with all due respect to my friends of the Republican and Progressive parties.

J. L. MONROE.

\$5,600,000 AVAILABLE.

That Amount Made Available in North Carolina for Relief of Banks and Cotton and Tobacco Farmers.

Washington Special, 17th, to Greensboro News.

By affixing his signature to the charter of the North Carolina Currency Association Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo today made available in North Carolina \$5,600,000 for the relief of the banks and cotton and tobacco farmers. The money, however, according to A. W. McLean and W. A. Hunt, who were here today conferring with treasury officials and Senator Simmons, must come through the national banks direct.

When the Federal system is organized, however, State banks who join this system will be placed on a parity with national banks. Just now according to the best information obtainable, they must borrow their money through the national institutions.

The trouble was that while the amendments to the Aldrich-Vreeland act which passed Congress granted the right to the State banks and trust companies which would agree to come into the Federal reserve system the right to issue currency under the terms of the Aldrich-Vreeland plan, a much older law was not repealed. This law provided that any State banks, which issued currency, should be taxed 10 per cent by the national government for the privilege, which would make it rather unprofitable for the State banks to issue such currency, even under the Aldrich-Vreeland act.

This old law was not repealed by the amendment to the Aldrich-Vreeland act passed by Congress.

their "daddies" only made an average of 20 bushels. The lady that led the tango or fish walk would not be as popular in the days to come as the one that made \$10,000 on an acre of tomatoes. D. Hill's address was splendid and should have been heard by many more farmers.

After Dr. Hill was through a picnic dinner was served on the college campus. There were many who went to the table hungry, and all went away filled.

Red Springs is a beautiful town. It has many up-to-date business houses all seemingly enjoying a good business, many beautiful homes and the best and purest water to be found. The town is known far and wide for its healthful water. It has an invigorating taste and effect. The citizens are loyal, kind and hospitable to strangers, and to be among them once makes one want to return. Many good things might be said about this good town and its clever Scotch citizens, but time and space forbid it at present.

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Allenton News Notes.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Allenton, Aug. 17.—Crops have come out to some extent since the rain. Pulling fodder seems to be the order of the day in this section. Cotton seems to be opening very fast since the drought.

Mr. Harry Taylor and Mr. Austin Taylor returned home Saturday from Bladenboro, where they had been for several days visiting relatives.—Mr. W. H. Taylor spent Saturday in Boardman on business.

People are having somewhat unfavorable weather for pulling fodder.

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State of North Carolina, Department of State.

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Now, Therefore, I, J. Bryan Grimes, Secretary of State of the State of North Carolina, do hereby certify that the said corporation did on the 30th day of July, 1914, file in my office a duly executed and attested consent in writing to the dissolution of said corporation, executed by all the stockholders thereof, which said consent and the record of the proceedings aforesaid are now on file in my said office as provided by law.

In testimony whereof, I have here-to set my hand and affixed my official seal at Raleigh, this 30th day of July, A. D. 1914.

J. BRYAN GRIMES, Secretary of State. Filed Aug. 1, 1914. C. B. Skipper, C. S. C., Robeson County, N. C.

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